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Dear Mr. Pennington,

Re: Rocky Flats DEIS
Part/(full) time participation
Request for: 20 minute statement
Summary list of issues to be discussed enclosed
Interest: Environmental writer (esp. nuclear topics)

1. Risks to populations from on-site (temporary) storage of plutonium contaminated radioactive wastes.
Seepage into groundwater & surface water supplies
Airborne contamination from solar evaporation pond sediments
Defacto waste repository ("temporary" but continuous)
2. Projected impacts upon Colorado populations if a permanent repository is not established in the near future and if Washington, Idaho, Nevada sites become unsuitable due to political, technical or scientific problems; and if, therefore, wastes might have to be stockpiled.
3. Risks for Colorado populations along transport routes (rail) to Washington, Idaho, and Nevada, and to be considered: along route to possible Carlsbad, New Mexico site.
4. DEIS does not adequately address decommissioning in terms of health risks to future populations if "for economic reasons" the method of decommissioning were to be "long-term containment" of materials or soils. Again, it doesn't adequately reflect expanding populations and future demand for the land for development except in economic terms, suggesting that the less expensive (best?) method would return the land to its pre-1951 days. The Denver area is now an urban not a rural area; the DEIS must reflect this reality.
5. The DEIS staff assumes acceptability of BEIR report and doesn't adequately reflect current, independent, scientific criticism of the report's conclusions.

With concern,

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